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SUBJ/UPDATED MASK GUIDELINES FOR IMMUNIZED PERSONNEL//ORDTYPE/GENADMIN//

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REF/A/SECNAV/DOC/1990//

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REF/C/COMUSNAVCENT/COMFIFTHFLT GENERAL ORDER 1-13C//

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NARR/REF A IS U.S. NAVY REGULATIONS (1990). REF B IS SENIOR OFFICER PRESENT FOR COMUSNAVCENT AREA OF OPERATIONS. REF C IS COMUSNAVCENT FORCE PROTECTION MEASURES IN JOINT SECURITY AREA BAHRAIN. REF D IS DEPSECDEF MEMO, UPDATED MASK GUIDELINES FOR VACCINATED PERSONS. REF E IS NAVADMIN 095/21, INTERIM UPDATE ON DOD MASK GUIDANCE. REF F IS COMMANDER, U.S. NAVAL FORCES CENTRAL COMMAND UPDATED FORCE HEALTH PROTECTION POLICIES FOR U.S. NAVAL FORCES CENTRAL COMMAND 2.0.

RMKS/1. SUMMARY. PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITIES IN REFERENCES (A) THOUGH (C), THIS MESSAGE IMPLEMENTS UPDATED MASK GUIDELINES FOR IMMUNIZED PERSONNEL IN REFERENCES (D) AND (E). PERSONNEL WHO ARE NOT IMMUNIZED WILL CONTINUE TO COMPLY WITH THE MASK REQUIREMENTS IN PARAGRAPH 6.B. OF REFERENCE (F).

- 2. UPDATED MASK GUIDELINES FOR IMMUNIZED PERSONNEL. IN SUPPORT OF UPDATED CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) GUIDANCE AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCES (D) AND (E), IMMUNIZED PERSONNEL ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK INDOORS OR OUTDOORS AT DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) FACILITIES. IMMUNIZED PERSONNEL ARE DEFINED AS INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE AT LEAST TWO WEEKS BEYOND THEIR FINAL DOSE IAW REFERENCE (D) AND PARAGRAPH 7.A.6. OF REFERENCE (F).
- 3. NON-IMMUNIZED PERSONNEL. PERSONNEL WHO ARE NOT IMMUNIZED WILL CONTINUE TO COMPLY WITH THE MASK REQUIREMENTS IN PARAGRAPH 6.B. OF REFERENCE (F).
- 4. REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL DOD PERSONNEL. REGARDLESS OF THEIR IMMUNIZATION STATUS, ALL DOD PERSONNEL WILL CONTINUE TO COMPLY WITH CDC GUIDANCE REGARDING AREAS WHERE MASKS SHOULD BE WORN, INCLUDING WITHIN AIRPORTS. IN ADDITION, ALL DOD PERSONNEL WILL CONTINUE TO COMPLY WITH HOST NATION MASK REQUIREMENTS, LOCAL INSTALLATION MASK REQUIREMENTS, AND MASK REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY PRIVATE ESTABLISHMENTS.
- 5. COMPLIANCE. ADHERENCE TO THIS GUIDANCE IS A MATTER OF INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. IAW REFERENCES (D) AND (E),

COMMANDERS AND SUPERVISORS SHOULD NOT ASK ABOUT AN INDIVIDUALS VACCINATION STATUS WHEN ENFORCING THIS GUIDANCE.

- 6. EXPECTATIONS. I EXPECT COMMANDERS AND LEADERS AT ALL LEVELS TO PROACTIVELY ENGAGE AND TRAIN THEIR PERSONNEL ON THESE NEW POLICIES WHILE CONTINUING TO AGGRESSIVELY EDUCATE AND INFORM OUR PEOPLE ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF IMMUNIZATION. IN EXECUTING THESE POLICIES, WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROMOTE A CULTURE OF IMMUNIZATION AS WE STRIVE TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF THE FORCE AND ENSURE MISSION ACCOMPLISHMENT.
- 7. VADM COOPER SENDS.//

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